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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with this Information Disclosure

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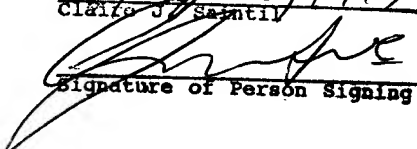
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following documents.

Foreign Patent Documents

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| European Patent Application | 0 463 451 A2 | 1/2/92 |
| European Patent Application | 0 758 833 A2 | 2/19/97 |

Other Documents

Hartwig S et al. "Broadcasting and Processing of Program Guides for Digital TV" SMPTE Journal, vol. 196, no. 10, October 1997, pages 727-732

Copies of the aforementioned documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicants request that a copy of Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

The listed documents are being cited because they were recently cited in a communication from the European Patent Office in connection with a counterpart International application. A copy of the International search report is attached.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1), applicants hereby certify that the listed documents were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office not more than three months prior to the date of this Statement.

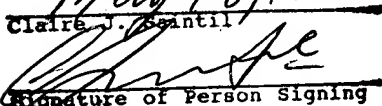
Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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